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HOUSE RESOLUTION 329  
By Hood

A RESOLUTION to recognize Dr. Nolan Barham on the occasion  
of his retirement.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding educators who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Nolan Barham is one such estimable educator who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barham has served the Rutherford County School System for twenty years; during his illustrious career, he has positively influenced many young lives; and

WHEREAS, his first eleven years with the system were divided between Rockvale School and Eagleville School; he has been assigned full-time to Eagleville for the past nine years; and

WHEREAS, he began his exemplary career in the Tullahoma City Schools, and he has also employed his immense knowledge and teaching talents as a member of the faculty of both Middle Tennessee State University and Carson-Newman College; and

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WHEREAS, Nolan Barham is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate his students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Marshall County High School, he earned both a Bachelor's degree and a Master's degree from Baylor University, where he also served as a Teaching Fellow; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barham truly serves as an inspiration to his colleagues and students alike, and his friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; he represents all that is good and noble in education; and

WHEREAS, during his retirement, he plans to continue singing with the Bert Coble Singers and the Gospel Four and playing his French Horn with the Tennessee Valley Winds; and

WHEREAS, he will also continue to serve with acumen and alacrity as the Mayor of Eagleville, as the good people of that fair city recently reaffirmed their confidence in his capable leadership and re-elected him for a third term; and

WHEREAS, Nolan Barham treasures the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Carolyn; he is also the proud and devoted father of two children and a stepson; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, he is an active member of Stones River Baptist Church in Smyrna where he serves as the Minister of Music; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barham truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and he should be specially recognized on the occasion of his retirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend Dr. Nolan Barham for his exceptional service to the children of Rutherford County, salute his professional expertise and personal excellence, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.